

# SENATE . . . . . No. 575

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

**O'Leary, Robert (SEN)**

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act Relative to Increasing Access to Primary Care Physicians for MassHealth Patients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
O'Leary, Robert (SEN)	Cape and Islands
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Susan C. Tucker	Second Essex and Middlesex
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO INCREASING ACCESS TO PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS FOR MASSHEALTH PATIENTS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority  
of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 16 of chapter 6A of the general laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition, is  
2 hereby amended by inserting, at the end thereof, the following:-

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4 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive office of health and human  
5 services may promulgate regulations allowing any primary care physician participating in the MassHealth  
6 program to limit the number of MassHealth patients in his or her practice in accordance with standards or  
7 procedures to be established by the executive office of health and human services.